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STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC IMPACT TO SMALL BUSINESSES

1. Name of Board, Committee or Council:

Tennessee Emergency Medical Services Board

2. Rulemaking hearing date: June 16, 2006

Amendments to Rule 1200-12-1-.08 EMS Telecommunications

3. Types of small businesses that will be directly affected by the proposed rules:

Ambulance Services

4. Types of small businesses that will bear the cost of the proposed rules:

Ambulance Services

5. Types of small businesses that will directly benefit from the proposed rules:

Radio Communications (Two Way Radio) sales and service

6. Description of how small business will be adversely impacted by the proposed rules:

For some services, this rule may require additional radio frequencies and the need for scheduling radio service. Such radio service is required annually by the FCC on the radio transmitter, and the increase in cost should be less than \$100 per radio.

7. Alternatives to the proposed rule that will accomplish the same objectives but are less burdensome, and why they are not being proposed:

Certain radio frequencies will be needed for state wide capability. The methods indicated by these rules, after review by a committee of the Board, were considered to be the most cost effective. Services may be able to acquire used radios to lessen their expense.

8. Comparison of the proposed rule with federal or state counterparts:

Interoperability of two-way radios is mandated by the FCC. This rule is similar in proposing means to accomplish this interoperability.